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**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**  
NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE  
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## **SMALL ENTITY COMPLIANCE GUIDE**

### **CONTINUED OPENING OF THE 2002 DIRECTED LOLIGO SQUID FISHERY**

Dear Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and/or  
Butterfish Permit Holder:

This letter is to inform you that, due to recent bad weather, the directed fishery for Loligo squid in the exclusive economic zone will remain open after 0001 hours, December 12, 2002. This will allow the fishery participants to receive the full benefit of the annual quota allocation. Vessels issued a Federal moratorium permit to harvest Loligo squid in excess of the incidental catch allowance may continue fishing for, retaining and landing Loligo squid in excess of the incidental catch allowance.

You may also receive permit holder letters, including closure notices, by e-mail by clicking on "NOAA Fisheries News Releases" on our website at <http://www.nero.nmfs.gov>; or via fax by providing a fax number through a written request to the above address, or by faxing your request to 978-281-9135.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "George H. Rany".

for

Patricia A. Kurkul

Regional Administrator

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